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1. SCHEDULED FLIGHT OF A-12 HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL THURSDAY 17 MAY AT Ø9ØØ DUE TO REWORKING OF BRAKE SYSTEM. THERE HAS BEEN A CONTINUED BRAKE PROBLEM SINCE AIRCRAFT STARTED FLYING, I.E., INSUFFICIENT BRAKING, UNSYMMETRIC BRAKING, CHATTER, AND SOME OVERHEATING. CHANGES HAVE BEEN INCORPORATED SUCH AS NEW METERING valves and the brakes will be checked on taxi runs on 16 may. FURTHER INSTRUMENTATION HAS BEEN INSTALLED IN THE BRAKE SYSTEM AND RECORDS TAKEN TOMORROW WILL BE SENT TO BURBANK FOR ANALYSIS THURSDAY.

2. MINNESOTA MINING HAS ADVISED LACTHAT THEIR SEALANT HAS EEEN UPGRADED ANOTHER 50 DEGREES. GOING ON THIS INFORMATION LAC HAS DECIDED TO SEAL THE TWO REMAINING TANKS IN NUMBER ONE AIRCRAFT BETWEEN 25 MAY AND 4 JUNE WHILE THE RUNWAY IS SHUT DOWN FOR FLIGHT TESTING SHOULD START ONCE MORE SLURRYING THE SHOULDERS.

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TO: COL BEERLI/KIEFER/PARANGOSKY

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| APPROXIMATELY 6 J | UNE. | | |
| 3. COL | IS SENDING A CONCURRENT | WIRE COVERING THE | POL. |
| SYSTEM AS REGARDS | THE KC-135 TANKER AIRCR | AFT AND INFLIGHT F | EFUEL ING. |
| PLEASE READ AND E | EXPEDITE ANSWERS. | | |
| 4. IN ADDITION | , the filter system at t | HE HYDRANTS HAS NO | NT BEEN |
| RESOLVED WITH MAI | NLY DOUBLE TALK COMING F | ROM | USAF. |
| IF WHAT | SAYS IS TRUE THAT I.E. | , FUEL SHOULD NOT | BE TOO |
| CLEAN REPEAT NOT | BE TOO CLEAN, AND FUEL S | HOULD NOT BE FILTI | ERED AT A |
| HIGH RATE SINCE B | OTH CAUSE STATIC ELECTRI | CITY TO BUILD UP | AND |
| COULD CAUSE FIRE | AND EXPLOSION, THEN WE S | HOULD NOT BE FILTE | ERING OUR |
| FUEL THROUGH THE | R-2 TRUCKS WHEN LOADING | THE AIRCRAFT. LET | STRY |
| TO GET A DECISION | ON THIS MATTER RIGHT NO | OW. WE RECOMMEND I | LTERS |
| AS SOON AS POSSIB | DLE. PLEASE EXPEDITE. | | |

END OF MESSAGE